Mr. Wilcox introduced a resolution in reerence to public lands. Referred to the committee on federal relations.

Mr. Carson introduced a resolution in ref-

Mr. Woodhouse introduced a resolution in favor of the Sheriff of Currituck. Referred to the committee on propositions and griev

erence to homesteads. Referred to the in

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS. Mr. Justice introduced a bill to fix the mileage of members and officers of the Gen eral Assembly at 15 cents per mile. Placed on the calendar.

Mr. Warring introduced a bill in regard to elections. Placed on the calendar.

Mr. York introduced a bill for the pro

tection of the distillers of North Carolina Referred to the Judiciary committee.

Mr. Settle introduced a bill to be cutitled an act for the relief of the Sheriff of Rockingham. Referred to the Finance commit

Mr. Tomlinson introduced a bill to repes an act entitled an act in relation to per die and mileage. Placed on the calendar. Mr. Lucas introduced a bill to provide for the appointment of commissioners of wrecks for the county of Hyde. Referred to the

Finance committee.

Mr. Lucas introduced a bill to change the time for settling with the Public Treasurer Referred to the committee on Judiciary.
On motion of Mr. Justice the rules were suspended and the bill on relation to fixing

the mileage was taken up.

Mr. Marler moved to strike out "15" and insert "16," adopted, by a vote of 94 to 7.

Mr. Justice said he did not introduce the bill for the purpose of making fun out of it, and as the members seemed to take it in that light, he would therefore move to lay he whole matter on the table. Lost.

Mr. Rankin moved to refer the whole matter to the committee on salaries and fees.

Adopted. CALENDAR. House bill to incorporate the M. E. Sing-ing School Society was taken up, and the report of the committee that it do not pass, was concurred in.

House bill to repeal chap. 86, sec. 5, of t laws of 1855'56 was taken up, when
Mr. McAffee moved to amend by inserting
"that the proceeds of the sale of town lots
in the town of Columbus, Polk County, set apart for the purpose of a Normal school, shall be set apart as a fund for common purposes in the county of Polk."

The call for the previous question was sustained and the amendment was lost. The original bill passed.

House bill to authorize the late Sheriff of Yadkin county to collect arrears of taxes was

taken up.

Mr. Hampton amended by inserting the name of Mr. Haymore, Sheriff of Surry. The

bill as amended passed.

House bill to be entitled an act to restore to the Western R. R. Co. its original charter privileges to regulate the appointment of State directors, and to define the State's interest in the general meetings of the stockholders of said company, was taken up and

passed its several readings.
On motion of Mr. Shull the rules were suspended and the bill for the relief of the Sheriff of Watauga was taken up and passed

its several readings.

Mr. Robinson from the committee on enrolled bills reported several bills and resolu tions as properly enrolled.

CALENDAR RESUMED. House bill to repeal an act in reference the taking of fish from the northeast branch of the Cape Fear river was taken up and passed its second reading.

House bill to prescribe the time for Sher-

iffs to settle county and State taxes was ta ken up and passed its several reading. House bill to repeal sec. 7, chap. 169, laws of 1868'69, was taken up and passed its sec-

ond reading.

House bill to empower the personal rep resentatives of the late Sheriff of Person to collect, arrears of taxes was taken up and passed its several readings.

On motion of Mr. York, the rules were

suspended and Senate bill to appoint a joint committee to take into consideration the question of constitutional reform, was

taken up.

Mr. Dueley moved to make the bill a special order for next Wednesday at 12 m. Mr. Johnson, of Edgecombe, moved

postpone indefinitely.

Mr. Justice said that there was already two bills before the House on that subject and that he favored the bill offered by Mr. Marler, on changing of the Constitution, and that this was a subject upon which we want a fair hearing, and expect to have it, but that was too late an hour to go into a full discussion of the merits of the resolution; therefore, he he would move that this House do now adjourn. The motion to adjourn was lost

Mr. Sparrow hoped the motion to postpone would not prevail.

Mr. Justice said that he did not wish to consume the time of the House in discussing the question, and would therefore call for the yeas and mays on the motion to in-definitely postpone. The vote being taken the motion to indefinitely postpone was

lost by the following vote:
Those voting in the affirmative are-Messrs, Armstrong, Ashe, Atwater, At-kinson, Brooks, Broadfoot, Brown, Bryson, Carson, Chamberlain, Clinard, Crawford, Currie, Dickey, Duckworth, Dunham, Furr Gambrel, Gore, Gullick, Grayson, Gregory, Houston, Hill, Johnston, of Buncombe, Jones, of Caldwell, Joyner, of Johnston, Jordan, Kelly, of Davie, Kelly, of Moore, Kelsey, Kincaid, Lassiter, Lucas, Martin, Maxwell, McAfee, McCauley, McNeill, Mills, Mitchell, Nicholson, Powell, Rankin, Reid, Regan, Robinson, Scott, Shull, Smith, of Anson, Smith, of Wayne, Sparrow, Stau-ford, Strudwick, Waring, Wilcox, Womack,

Young, of Yancey, and York-59. Those voting in the negative are—Messrs. Bryant, of Halifax, Bryan, of Jones, Bunn, Cawthorne, Collis, Darden, Dudley, Ellison, Faulkner, Fletcher, Garr.son, Goodwyn, Hampton, Harris, of Franklin, Hargrove, Hardy, Johnson, of Edgecombe, Jones, of Northampton, Justice, Lyon, Mabson, Mur-ler, Morris, Morgan, of Montgomery, Morgan, of Wake, Newsom, Nisson, Page, Parrot, Reavis, Robbins, Smith, of Halifax,

Tucker, Willis and Williamson-35. The question recurred on the motion postpone to Wednesday week and make it special order for that day at 12 m., and

was lost by the following vote:

Yeas—Messrs. Brooks, Brown, Bryant, of Halifax, Bunn, Buxton, Cawthorne, Carson, Collis, Darden, Dudley, Ellison, Faulkner, Fisher, Fletcher, Goodwyn, Harris, of Frank-Fisher, Fletcher, Goodwyn, Harris, of Frank-lin, Hargrove, Hardy Johnson, of Edgecombe, Jones, of Northampton, Justice, Lyon, Mab-son, Marler, Morris, Morgan, of Montgomery, Morgan, of Wake, Nisson, Newsom Page, Reavis, Robbins, Smith, of Halifax Tucker, Willis, Williamson - 37.

NAVS-Messis, Anderson, Armstrong, Ashe Atwater, Atkinson, Broadfoot, Bryson, Clinard, Craford, Currie, Dickey, Duckworth, Dunham, Furr, Gambrel, Gatling, Gore, Gullick, Grayson, Gregory, Houston, Hill Johnston, of Buncombe, Jones, of Caldwell, Joyner, of Johnston, Jordan, Relly, of Davie, Kelly, of Moore, Kelsey, Kincade, Lassiter, Lucas, Martin, Maxwell, McAfee, McCauley, McNeill, Mills, Mitchell, Nichol-son, Powell, Rankin, Reid, Regan, Robinson, Scott, Shull, Smith, of Anson, Smith, of Wayne, Sparrow, Stanford, Tomlinson, Waring, Wilcox, Womack, Young, of Yancey,

Mr. Page moved to amend by striking out the word "constitutional." Lost. Also strike out the word "committee

original resolution was then adopted. Committee on Insane Asylum-The House branch—Messrs. Luckey, Henderson, Young of Wake, Wilcox and Houston. Committee on Salaries and Fees -Messrs

Rankin, Smith, of Wayne, Mills, Harris, of Franklin, Dudley, Reavis, Collis, Max well, Stewart, Womack, Richardson and Committee on Public Buildings and Grounds. House branch-Messrs. Gatling, Shull, At-

water, Bryson and Bryant,

Committee on Librarg.—House Branch—
Messrs, Hill, Hargreve, Joyner, of Johnston. Lucas and Fisher. Committee on Penal Institutions.—Hou

Branch-Messrs. Smith, of Anson, Reid, Fletcher, Lassiter and Lyon. The House then adjourned.

WEDNESDAY, Dec. 7, 1870. Senate met at 10 o'clock.

President in the Chair, Mr. Mauney, from Committee on Printing submitted an oral report from the join committee on printing, stating that they public printing at 75 cents per thousand ems for plain work, and \$1.50 for rule and figure work, and 75 cents per token for press work. Propositions for binding has been work. Propositions for binding has been accepted in only general terms. Mr. Robbins, of Rowan, introduced a bill

to prevent parties in civil actions from be-ing witnesses in their own behalf. Mr. Whiteside introduced a bill to repea

Mr. Whiteside introduced a bill to repeal section 468, chap. 9, title 19, code of civil procedure. Both bills referred.

Mr. Allen introduced a resolution for the appointment of a joint committee to inquire into the expediency of establishing three terms annually of the superior courts for each county in the State.

Mr. Graham, a hill on leave, to allow the Commissioners of Orange county to levy a special tax not to exceed 30 cents on the dollar, and one dollar on each poll, whenever they shall deem proper, for the payment of the county debt.

MI. Olds, a resolution directing the treas-Mr. Olds, a resolution directing the treasurer to pay certain sums to M. A. Bledsoe

Lies over.

Mr. Cowles, a resolution in regard to pensions to soldiers in the war of 1812. Reso ution adepted. Mr. Gilmer introduced a resolution in

structing the Finance Committee to report a bill in reference to the public debt. Mr. Jones introduced a joint resolution nstructing members of Congress to use their to secure the removal of Mr. Vance's disabilities. The rules were suspended and the resolution passed. Ayes 40, Nays 1. Mr. Hyman voted in the negative. Mr. Price explained that he would vote

for a general measure, removing all disabil-ities, but not for an individual; and at his

request he was excused from voting.

Mr. Love, from a special committee, reported a substitute for the bill in reference to salaries and fees, and recommended its passage. The substitute gives the Governor \$5000, a private sccretary at a salary of \$500 and fees, and a messenger at 300; to the Treasurer, \$3000, with a clerk at \$1,500, and an assistant clerk at \$750; to the Secretary of State, \$1000 and fees and a clerk at 800, to Auditor \$1200 and fees; to the Superintendent of Public Works \$50, no clerk and no travelling expenses to the Superintendent of Public Schools \$50, and no clerk and no traveling expen ses; to the Attorney General \$1000 and fees; to the Adjutant \$300 and fees,

Mr. Graham announced that he was not present at the committee meetings, and did not like some of the propositions in the

table. Motion lost. Mr. McClammy moved to print the substitute and make it the special order for Tuesday next at 11 o'clock.

Mr. Price thought this bill very important and moved to postpone till Thursday.

The question of postponing till Tuesday being put to the Senate, the motion pre-

The bill regulating the manner of applying for pardons passed its third reading yeas 42, nays 5. The bill to repeal the act authorizing the Dan River Coal Field R. R. Co. to construct

and extend its road, was taken up.

Mr. Jones spoke in opposition to the bill.

Mr. Smith said that this N. C. road was the only road that paid any thing into the State Trensury. The receipts at Charlotte were \$298,826,26. Gentlemen propose to throw away this vast sum and give it to Virginia and South Carolina speculators. Mr. Olds presented constitutional objec-tions to the bill. He considered that a rail-

road charter vested rights in the corporators. He had therefore been led to change his views, and must oppose the bill, and moved its postponement to a day definite.

Mr. Graham moved to indefitely postpon The people of North-Carolina have an interest in the present road, so long as the State held stock in the road, he was in favor of guarding that interest. The chief joint made by the opponents of the bill was that every man has a natural right to build a railroad over his own land to his own door f he wishes to, and that no vested State or

other interests should stand in the way of this indefeasible right. We regret that we have not room to print the very able and eloquent speeches of the several Senators who spoke upon this mea

Messrs. Linney, Jones, Merrimon and oth ers spoke adversely to the bill; Messrs. Gil-mer, Robbins, of Rowan, and others, in its

In the course of the debate, Mr. Robbins of Rowan, suggested that if a Convention was called and the proposition should be made to the State's creditors to compromise at 25 cents on the dollar, and to pledge for payment all the proceeds of these roads, the neasure would reduce the State debt mil

lions of dollars.

Mr. Jones asked if the gentleman did no know that these securities, principal and in-terest, were already pledged for the payment of those debts.

Mr. Robbins asked in turn, how it was the

that the State was actually receiving a dividend from these securities.

The Chair thought each Senator was asking a question of the other that neither

Mr. Smith didn't know anything about Lord Bacon, to whom Mr. Lenney alluded, nor did he understand the beautiful Latin language quoted by the Senator from Mc-Dowell, but if he could judge anything from the sound of words, they meant to destroy our roads! The gentlemen had quoted from old heathen authorities, from some very old book, at least older than our new constitu-tion! His speech would be worse than a streak of lightning if he had to follow the opponents of this bill all round. If the mountains are as high up in Rockingham as my friend from McDowell says, it would be impossible to build a railroad in that country. If our internal improvements are to be gobbled up by Virginia and North Carolina speculators, we would better call a Convention and compromise by aunexing one half to Virginia and the other to South Carolina. In reply to the story of the dog in the man ger, he would say that N. C. was like a load of hay between two Jackasses, Virginia and South-Carolina, and this bill was designed

to prevent them from eating it up. Mr. Jones wished to ask a question.

Mr. Smith replied that he would not grant permission. He always took advan-

grant permission. He always took advantake of the law in dealing with lawyers. If any farmer here wished to ask a question he would cheerfully give way.

The vote on the main question being taken it stood ayes 23, nays 23. The chair voted with the negative and the bill was lost on its second reading. The Senate then adding the model of the second reading. adjourned till to-morrow at 10 o'clock.

HOUSE. The House met at 10 o'cloc Speaker in the Chair.

Prayer by the Rev. Dr. Mas Journal of yesterday read and approved.

STANDING COMMITTEES, Mr. Broadfoot from the committee orporations reported a bill concerning the own of Lumberton. Calendar.

Mr. McNeill from the committee on prop ositions and grievances reported the follow-ing bills and resolutions and recommended their passage.

Resolution in favor of the late Sheriff of Macon. Calendar.

A Kelly, Cal-

Resolution in favor of J. A. Kelly, Cal-Mr. Sparrow from the judiciary commit-

tee reported a bill in reference to voting on separate ballots. Calendar. Also bill to be entitled an act incorporating the town of Hickory Tavern. Calendar. Mr. Crawford, from the committee on en-grossed bills reported several bills as prop erly engrossed.

INTRODUCTION OF RESOLUTIONS. Mr. Hargrove introduced a resolution in favor of the Sheriff of Granville. Propositions and grievances.

Mr. Darden introduced the following res-

olution :

Besolved, By the General Assembly of North Carolina, that every member who has introduced a bill or resolution fixing per diem and mileage shall receive the amount his bill or resolution purposes, and no more or less. Provided, it does not exceed \$5 per diem, and 15 cents mileage. Calendar.

Mr. Dudley introduced a resolution that the General Assembly, Senate concurring, take a recess from Dec. 22nd, 1870, to Jan. 10, 1871. Calendar.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS. Mr. Brooks introduced a bill to authorize the Commissioners of Brunswick to issue bonds in the sum of \$8,000. Judiciary com-Mr. Waring introduced a bill in favor of the Sheriff of Mecklenburg. Propositions

and orievances

Mr. Houston introduced a bill to amend sec. 8, chap. 167, of laws of 1868'69, in relation to punishment. Judiciary committee.

Mr. Sykes introduced a bill in favor of G. H. Mitchell, the gentleman lately elected from Hertford, allowing him the same per diem and mileage of other members, during his presence in the city. Committee on

On motion of Mr. Strudwick the rules were suspended and the bill in relation to the seat of the member from Bladen was taken up and referred to the committee on

House bill to allow entry-takers further time to obtain grants passed its third read-

ing. Senate bill to amend an act entitled "an act for the incorporation of the town of Washington," ratified Jan. 18, 1847, passed its third reading. Mr. Hargrove asked permission in behalf of the Republican members to enter a protest against the passage of the bill, and to have the same entered upon the journals of

the House. HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

December 7th, 1870.
We, the undersigned, members of the House of Representatives from our respective counties, do hereby dissent from and protest against the passage of an act, this day passed by the House of Representatives, entitled "a bill to amend the charter of the town of Washington," because it is in our opinion, in some of its provisions, a viola-tion of the constitution, and injurious to the T. L. HARGROVE. (Signed,)

E. B. LYON. W. H. REAVIS, & others. On motion of Mr. Jones, of Northamp-ton, the rules were suspended and Senate resolution in favor of the sheriff of Northampton and the sheriff of Wilkes was taken up and passed several readings.
On motion of Mr. Justice, the rules were

suspended and a bill to repeal sec. 5 chap. 86 of laws of 1856 '57 in relation to Polk county, was taken up and passed its third reading.
On motion of Mr. Robinson, the rules

were suspended to take up Senate bill No. 17 in relation to stopping the pay of the Code Commissioner, and the further printing by that commission. Adopted.

By permission, Mr. Settle offered a bill to supply a temporary deficiency in the State Treasury, and asked a suspension of the rules to put the bill on its several readings.

On motion of Mr. Anderson the rules On motion of Mr. Anderson, the rules

were suspended and a resolution in favor of John Patterson, late sheriff of Clay county, was taken up and passed its several read-House bill to amend an act relative to the Western Turnpike road, was taken up and passed its several readings.

A message from the Senate, was received notifying the House of the passage of several bills and resolutions and asked its concur Mr. Powell, from the committee on en-rolled bills, reported several bills as properly erly eprolled. rence therein.

The Speaker announced the following Committee on Agriculture, Mechanics and

Mining—Mesars. Chamberlain, Powell, Kelly, of Moore, Parrott, Copeland, Faulkner, Carson, Brown, Hampton, Woodhouse and Clinard. Committee on Constitutional Reform-House

Branch—Messra. Johnston, of Buncombe, Gregory, Phillips, Hargrove, Sparrow, Stan-ford and Luckey.

On motion of Mr. Houston, the rules were suspended and resolution to have 400 of the Treasurer's report printed for the use

of the House, was taken up.
Mr. Jordan asked permission to offer a substitute to the resolution, when the Speaker requested the gentleman to reduce his

substitute to writing.

Mr. Johnston, of Buncombe, moved that the resolution under consideration be postponed for 10 minutes, to allow the gentle man to draw up his substitute. Adopted. Mr. McNeill offered a memorial from B. T. Person of the county of Wayne, contest-ing the seat of Wm. Copeland. Referred. House bill to asthorize the County Com missioners of Lenoir to levy a special tax The time having expired Mr. Jordan submitted his substitute, to instruct the joint committee to have a sufficient number of the reports printed for the use of the Senate and

Mr. McAfee moved to amend by insert ing "3 copies including the 120 already ordered.." Adopted. The question then being on the adoption of the substitute as amended

Mr. Houston moved to strike out the word Senate." Lost. The substitute was then adopted when the question recurred on the original reso-lution as amended which was adopted. House bill to require the sheriffs of the State to pay to the Treasurers of their re-spective counties the capitation and all other taxes imposed for the purposes of

public education. Referred. On motion of Mr. Sparrow, the rules were suspended to take up Senate resolution in favor of the sheriff of Pitt county. Passed its several readings.

House then adjourned until to-morrow at

10 o'clock SENATE THUBSDAY, Dec. 8th, 1870. Senate met at 10 o'clock. Mr. Graham in the Chair.

Prayer by Senator Norment.

Journal of yesterday read and approved. Mr. Robbins from the Committee on Internal Improvements, reported back a bill

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Judiciary, reported that they find that the keeper of the Capitol is a placeman and not an officer, and that the General Assembly may provide for his place without infringement of the Constitution. Bill calendard and Committee discharged.

Mr. Price moved a reconsideration of the vote by which the bill in relation to salaries

was made the special order for Tuesday, and that the measure be made the special order for to-morrow, and the Senate declined to

Mr. Jones, from committee on Judiciary, reported that the committee find the claim of the Executors of the late Gov. Worth to be in all respects just and recommend its reference to the committee on Claims. Bill

reference to the committee on Claims. Bill Calendared.

Mr. Love, from the special committee to which had been referred the bill fixing the salary of the Attorney General, recommend ed that it do not pass. Calendared.

A House message reported the passage of a bill to restore to the Western R. R. Co. its original rights and privileges, and asking the Senate to concurr. Calendared, Also a bill to restore and reinstate burnt.

Also a bill to restore and reinstate burnt records in the several counties.

Mr. Albright introduced a bill to allow the Commissioners of Chatham county to lay a special tax and to appoint a tax Mr. Robbins introduced a resolution in lation to the penilentiary. Adopted.

Mr. Robbins introduced a resolution

Mr. Robbins introduced a resolution to appoint a committee of three to consist of Messrs. Love, Lehman and Worth, with instructions to ascertain the actual amount of money now in the treasury, and to report the same under the several heads of general fund, special tax fund, and literary fund, as soon as may be.

Mr. McClammy introduced a concurrent resolution in regard to the political disabilities of A. M. Waddell. Rules suspended and resolution put upon its passage.

and resolution put upon its passage. Mr. Troy moved to amend by inserting the name of Sion H. Rogers, and the resolu

the name of Sion H. Rogers, and the resolu-tion so amended was adopted, yeas 43, and ordered to be engrossed forthwith.

Mr. Robbins, of Rowan, introduced a res-olution instructing the Committee on Judi-ciary to bring in a bill making contempt of Court to consider only of acts done in open court or obstruction of process. Mr. Speed presented a petition from Mi-cejah Anderson, a citizen of Edgecombe, setting forth that Napoleon Bonaparte Bellamy, Esquire, who proposes to represent said county in the Senate of North Carolina, is not and has not been a citizen o the same for the last two years, and asking

that an investigation be made into the fact of the case,
Mr. Price moved to refer the petition t committee of three.

Mr. Norment moved to lay the petition

on the table, and the motion prevailed.

Mr. Latham introduced a bill for the relief of the sheriff of Martin county. Rules suspended and bill passed. Yeas 31, navs Mr. Worth introduced a bill for the relief of the sheriff of Moore county. On motion of Mr. Worth the rules were

suspended and resolution in favor of the Sheriff of Moore county was taken up and passed its several readings.

Mr. Fleming introduced a bill to allow county commissioners to extend the time for the collection of taxes. Referred to the ommittee on Propositions and Grievances.
Resolution on issecond reading in favor

f Mr. A. Bledsoe, was taken up.
Mr. Graham spoke in favor of the claims. The hour for the special order having arrived, Mr. Graham moved to postpone the the matter under discussion, adopted.

Mr. Gilmer moved to refer the whole

natter to the committee on claims. Mr. King moved to postpone the whole matter indefinitely.

Mr. Robbins moved to refer the matter to

the committee on claims with instruction to enquire whether Mr. Bledsoe had taken advantage of the action of the last Legislature.
On motion the special order was again postponed for 10 minutes.

Mr. Merrimon offered a substitute to the notion to refer, that the Treasurer be instructed to pay to M. A. Bledsoe the sum of \$5,373.47 with interest on \$4049 from the 1st f Jan. 1869, till paid and that the action of the last Legislatuic be repealed. The substitute was adopted and the whole matter was referred to the committee on claims. On motion of Mr. Love the special order was postpored for five minutes to take up the bill in relation to the keeper of the cap-

The bill, as amended, then passed its 3rd reading.
The special order to consolidate the North-Carolina and the North-Western North Carolina Railroads, was then taken up, and

passed its second reading.

A message from the House was received. transmitting several bills and resolutions. which were read and appropriately referred; also announcing the House branch on sever-

al standing bommittees. Mr. Troy introduced a resolution that the General Assembly take access from the 22nd of Dec. 1870 to the 11th day of January, 1871. Laid over Mr. Murphy introduced a resolution that the Senate meet at 10 and adourn at 2 o'clock on each day. Laid over. The Senate then adjourned till to-morrow

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES. THURSDAY, Dec. 8, 1870.

House met at 10 o'clock. Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Grayson. Journal of yesterday read and approved

STANDING COMMITTEES. Mr. Robinson, from the committee on encolled bills, reported several as properly en-

Mr. Settle presented a memorial from Jesse C. Griffith, Sheriff of Caswell County. Propositions and grievances. Mr. Powell from the committee on engross ed bills reported several bills as properly

Mr. Settle, from the committee on claim Mr. Settle, from the committee on claims reported several bills and recommended their passage. Calendar.

Mr. Ashe, from the judiciary committee reported House bill, No. 5, entitled an act to repeal certain acts passed at the session of 1868'69, making appropriations to railroad companies, ratified March 8, 1870.—

Mr. Rankin, from the committee on salaries and fees, recommend that all bills and resolutions in relation to per diem and mileage be referred to the joint committee on that

Mr. Martin, from the committee on townships, reported in favor of a resolution concerning the counties of Alamance and Cas-

Mr. Kelly, of Moore, introduced a resolu-tion in favor of the Sheriff of Moore county. Finance committee.

Mr. Tucker introduced a resolution that he Speaker be authorized to make requisitions for the necessary stationery for the use of the House. Calendar. INTRODUCTION OF BILLS.

county of Brunswick. Referred to the committee on Judiciary: also a bill to fix the compensation of the county Treasurer of Brunswick county. Referred to committee on Salaries and Fees. Mr. Nicholson introduced a bill in rela-tion to the Board of Commissioners of Ire-dell county. Referred to the committee on Proposition and Grievances.

Mr. Brooks introduced a bill to legalize

the acts of the Justices' of the Peace of the

o empower S A Warren, ex-sheriff of Northampton to collect arrears of taxes .-

Mr. Lassiter introduced a bill to prevent the felling of trees in Carraway Creek. On motion of Mr. Warring the rules were suspended and the bill that all legal electors shall be required to vote in the townships in which they live, a violation of this provision to be punishable as a misde

neanor. Referred. BILLS ON THIRD READING. A bill from the Finance Committee grant-ing relief to the late sheriffs of Yadkin and Surry. Passed. An act in relation to taking fish from th

Cape Fear River presed. Mr. Collis introduced a bill concern County Commissioners, Referred. CALENDAR. On motion of Mr. Smith the rules we suspended and House bill No. 17, to amend the charter of the town of Goldsboro', was

taken up.
Mr. Dudley moved to strike out "90" at nsert "30" Lost. Mr. Cawthorne moved to lay the amendment on the table. Lost
The previous question was called and sustained, and the bill pasted by a vote of year

67, nays 37.
A bill concerning a Convention of the people-was ordered to be printed and referred to a joint committee on Constitution reform A bill prescribing the time for sheriffs settle State and County taxes. Passed.

A resolution to raise a joint committee twelve to prepare and report amendments to the Constitution to be acted upon by the Legislature. Referred to joint committee

on Constitutional Reform. Bill to repeal section 7, chap. 16, of the laws of '68 and '69. Passed.

The hour for the special order having a rived, a bill concerning the city of Wilmi ton was taken up and amended.

Mr. French moved to indefinitely p

Mr. Justice arose to speak but the previous question having been called by M Ashe, the motion prevailed, 62 to 35. On the motion to postpone the House stood ayes 38, nays 67. The bill then passed ayes 69, nays 37.

Mr. McAffee moved to reconsider and to

lay that motion on the table, and the House Mr. Settle introduce a bill for the relief of the Sheriff of Caswell. Referred.

Resolution expressing the conviction of the House that there ought to be a strict investigation into the conduct of all State

officials who have had control of public moneys. Adopted.

Resolution instructing members of congress to urge the passage of a general act for the removal of disabilities. Addopted, and House adjourned.

SENATE

FRIDAY, Dec. 9, 1870. The Senate met at 10 clock. Speaker in the Chair. Journal of yesterday read and approved. Leave of absence was granted to Mr. Hawkins till Monday, to Mr. King and to Mr. Robbins, of Davidson, for to-morrow, and to Mr. Allen from Monday indefinitely. IMr. Jones from Committee on Penal Institutions, reported a bill in relation to special tax money now in the Treasury, or which may be repaid to that fund, directing the Treasurer to use \$300,000 of the the special tax fund; \$150,000 to be appropriated for ordinary State expenses and for the uses of the Asylum for the Insane, and of the Institution for the Deaf, Dumb and

Blind; and \$150,000 to be appropriated to the Penitentiary. Bill passed its first and second readings.
Mr. Jones took the Chair. Mr. Graham defended the bill. We need \$800,000 to carry on this government till the first day of October next. The institutions referred to are in exigent necessity. The case calls for immediate action. Mr. Robbins, of Rowan, thought if we

were going to be stalled we might as well go in up to the hub as over the felloe. He was therefore opposed to this outlay.

Mr. Graham thought that those member who came here to carry on the government without a tax would find themselves woefully mistaken. They had better resign and

go home.

Mr. C ook thought the sooner we stopped the whole thing the better, if things are as they are represented. The bill was post-poned till Tuesday 12 o'clock, and ordered to be printed. Mr. Graham resumed the chair.

Mr. Norment from the special committee to which had been referred several bills relating to per diem and milage reported and recommended the adoption of a bill giving to the presiding officers \$7 per day; to the principal and assistant clerks \$6 per day; to the enrolling and engrossing clerks \$5 per day; to the doorkeepers \$5 per day.— Milage to be twenty cents for every mile of

travel each way.

Mr. Robbins, of Davidson, proposed amend by reducing the per diem \$2 in each case, and the per diem to 10 cents. He fic thought to march right up to this proposition would hide a multitude of sins.

Mr. Cowles proposed to insert 6 instead of

7. Motion withdrawn Mr. Lehman favored the reduction. He thought it economical and just.

Mr. Jones wanted the report of the committee adopted. His constituents could not expect him to live any plainer here than he did at home.

Mr. Robbins, of Rowan, was in favor of

\$3 a day and a convention. He believed that would harmonize everything. The peo-ple can easily understand the difference between \$3 and \$7, that if you make that dif-

ference they won't look much further.

Mr. Jones considered that trickery. He came here with the prestige of an honest man. If the gentleman's idea of the people is correct they must think we are a sort of educated thieves. He believed in doing what was right and he thought his constituents

would sustain him.

Mr. Robbins, of Davidson, thought the people had a well grounded suspicion of all legislators.

Mr. Norment did not wish to see this General Assembly placed upon a footing with the British Parliament, which would drive every poor man from these halls. If he thought his people had any suspicion of

him he would resign.

Mr. Linney made a very eloquent attack upon the bill.

Mr. Graham thought five dollars per day
no more than sufficient to pay the speaker's
expenses. His duties are arduous, his business is broken up, he is expected to be here constantly. With himself personally, it made no difference what the pay is.

Mr. Dargan had listened to three or four

of the most eloquent speeches he had ever heard upon so naked a subject. It had called forth all the learning of ancient and modfrom the Republican party in nothing else than two dollars a day, let it go among the things that were. It his constituents wan-ted him to come here and live around the market on ground peas and fruit, he was

market on ground peas and fruit, he was willing to resign at any moment.

Mr. Olds thought the remarks of the Senator from Robeson entirely in place. He himself was here as the representative of the colored people and poor white men. They did not wish any per diem established which would cut them off from the legislative capacity, if they wish to come here. They say that the reason why Senators could in old times afford to come here for two dol-

ars a day was that they had the poor pole at work in their fields without a large that they can be afford to be late for the wages that ought to a lifty in men. They say that if the Congress of party take away their restricting per diem below living rate it cuts them off from all hope of ever coming here. They want a fair per diem if they come, such as will enable them to support their families comfortably in their absence.

The amendment was lost aves 19, nave 26. rs a day was that they had the poor

The amendment was lost ayes 19, nays 26. And the bill was lost on its second reading, ayes 22, nays 23.

vote by which the Senate rejected the amendment to strike out thirty days and insert ninety in the bill to alter the charter of Wilmington.

Mr. Moore said that the Constitution provides that every male person born in the United States and every naturalized citizen who shall have attained the age of citizen who shall have attained the age of 21, and been a resident in the State thirty days shall be an elector. If it had been the design to require a residence of ninety days they would have so explained it.—Surely, if a man is eligible to vote for the highest offices, he is eligible to vote for the lower. As a municipality is a political corporation, its elections should be governed as are State elections. You might as well require a man to reside in the city five years as to require a residence of ninety

well require a man to reside in the city five years as to require a residence of ninety days. If you pass from the term named by the Constitution, where will you stop?

You might as well adopt the principle embodied in the bill presented the other day by the Senator from Pasquotank, and require a property qualification, as to require a residence of ninety days. For the Constitution is explicit in its provision in both cases. If you can say in violation of one section that h man must have a ninety days residence in order to be a voter, then you have equal right in violation of andays residence in order to be a voter, then you have equal right in violation of another section, to require a property qualification. I do hope, that in their haste to abrogate the Constitution, gentlemen will not fail to regard it as the supreme law while it is the Constitution, and that there shall be no legislation in contravention of it while it is the law. Mr. President, there shall be no such legislation if my vote ca

prevent it.
Mr. Warren spoke in defence of the constitutionality of the provision requiring residence of ninety days. Mr. Lehman and Mr. Olds spoke in reply The Senate reconsidered by a vote of 27 to 14; adopted the amendment 27 to 24, and

passed the bill 27 to 13.

Mr. Price offered a resolution calling for a National Educational system; and a resolu tion in regard to vagrants. Mr. Robbins, of Rowan, called up a reso-lution allowing Commissioners of Chatham to lay a special tax and the resolution pass-

Mr. Norment introduced a resolution con cerning lawlessness in Robeson, Adopted, the Whiteside Turnpike.

Mr. Gilmer a bill to authorize the Com missioners of Guilford to issue bonds for the purpose of paying the county debt. Referred to committee on Finance.

Mr. Smith a bill to amend chap. 166 the laws of '69 and '70. Mr. Warren a bill concerning the debts of municipal corporations. Referred to committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Warren a bill to prohibit Justices o the Peace from practicing law in certain cases. Referred to committee on Judiciary

Mr. Troy introduced a bill for the relief o

the Sheriff and tax collector of Moore, Re-

ferred to committee on Finance. Adjourned. HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES. The House met at 10 o'clock. Speaker in the Chair.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Warrick. Journal of yesterday was read and cor-Mr. Gambrel presented a petition from the citizens of Alleghany and Wilkes to change the line between the two countie

Mr. Strudwick presented a memorial from the Penitentiary Commissioners asking for means to carry on the work on the said building and support of the convicts and em-STANDING COMMITTEES. Mr. Jones, of Caldwell, from the Commit

tee on Claims, reported favorably on House resolution in favor of W. R. Cox and Chas. Manly.

Mr. Sparrow, from the Judiciary Committee, reported favorably on House bill in relation to detectives,
Mr. Strudwick, from the Finance Com nittee, reported several bills and resolutions and recommend their passage; also, a bill fixing compensation of the county treesurers of Northampton and Henderson,

and recommend that it do not pass. DESCLIPTIONS. Mr. McAfee introduced a resolution have three copies of the report of the Superintendent of Public Schools.— Calendar.

Mr. Strudwick introduced a resolution

that W. W. Holden be impeached for high crimes. Referred. Mr. Carson introduced a resolution in re lation to recess. Calendar.

Mr. Broadfoot introduced a resolution reference to certain books for the use of the Judiciary Committee. Calendar, Mr. Crawford reported several bills

properly engrossed. mineral W. arriva INTRODUCTION OF BILLS. Mr. Settle introduced a bill to fix the per diem and mileage of members of the Gener-al Assembly, and stated in defence of his bill, that the House had had a great many bills upon this subject, and he did not wish to be understood as introducing this bill tor buncombe, for he considered that privilege belongs to his friend over the way, nor would he make the impression on this House that he represents a picaunish constituency, a constituency, unwilling to allow him a reasonable compensation, for he has the honor, in part, to represent a noble constituency of whom he is proud, a county whose sons are noted for their integrity and incompensation, but we must remember the and constituency of whom he is proud, a county whose sons are noted for their integrity and incompensation, but we must remember the and constituency. ality, but we must remember that we came in power on the principle of retrenohment and reform, and he was willing to commence that principle right here and now.

Mr. Brown introduced a bill to authorize the acting Sheriff of Davidson county to collect arrears of taxes. Referred.

Mr. Johnston, of Buncombe, introduced a bill for the relief of Jessee Sumner, late Sher-iff of Buncombe to collect arrears of taxes. Mr. McAffee introduced a bill in favor o

the late tax collector of Cleaveland. Refer-Mr. Jordan introduced a bill to authorize the levy of a special tax of \$5,000 for the county of Person. Reterred. Mr. Bryson introduced a bill to declare certain roads in Jackson county public roads.

Referred. On motion of Mr. Martin, the bill for the relief of the Sheriff of Carteret County was taken up and passed its several readings.
On motion of Mr. Broadfoot, the rules were suspended and the resolution in reference to certain books for the use of the judiciary committee was taken up and pas on motion of Mr. Jordan the rules wer on motion of mr. Jordan the lares were suspended and a resolution of enquiry respecting the alleged improper use of the public monies, was taken up and passed its several readings.

CALENDAR, House resolution in favor of W. A. Gen-try, Sheriff of Stokes, passed its 3rd reading. House resolution for the completion of the Western Div. of the W. N. C. R. R., passed its 3rd reading.

House bill to fix the compensation of the

erson and Northampton sints, failed to pass its second reading. Sense bill to repeal chap. 52, of laws of 1870 in reference to the powers of the ploy a detective force, passed

Senate pill in favor of the tax collector of Bladen county to collect arrears of taxes. passed its 2nd reading.

Senate bill to relieve Thomas F. Baxter,

Sheriff of Currituck, from the penalties for failure to pay over the taxes in the time prescribed by law, passed its and reading.

On motion of Mr. Ashe, the rules were suspended and the bill declaratory to the meaning of the act entitled an act to repeat meaning of the act entitled an act to repeal certain acts passed at the session of 1868'69, making appropriations to railroad companies ratified March 8, 1870. Was taken up.

After a discussion of considerable length the further confideration of the bill, was on motion of Mr. Martin, postponed until Monday and the bill ordered to be printed.

A message was received from the Senate transmitting several bills, announcing the

passage of the same and asked the concur-rence of the House. The bills were appro-

priately referred.

Mr. Chamberlain was excused from acting

n the committee on agriculture. on the committee on agriculture.

The House then adjourned.

Note.—In the proceedings of Wednesday
Mr. Jones, of Northampton, is reported as
having called up, under a suspension of the
rules, Senate resolution in favor of the sheriffs of Northampton and Wilkes. Also, on Thursday as introducing a bill to empower S. A. Warren, late sheriff of Northampton to collect arrears of taxes. Instead of Mr. Jones, it should read Mr. Buxton.

> SENATE. SATURDAY, Dec. 10th, 1870.

Senate met at 10 o'clock. President in the chair. President in the chair.

Journal of yesterday read and approved. Reports were presented by Mr. Warren from committee on judiciary recommending a substitute for the bill to repeal certain sections and amend others of chap. 270, of the laws of '68 and '69. Calendar.

By Mr. Dargan from the same committee, stating that further legislation is inexpedient on the common law right of dower.—Committee discharged.

By Mr. Jones, from the same committee, recommending the passage of a bill to restore and reinstate burnt records. Calendar.

By Mr. Warren, recommending reference

By Mr. Warren, recommending reference of the resolution to enforce labor on the public roads, &c., to the committee on roads, bridges and ferries. Referred.

Mr. Graham introduced a bill to incorporate the Yanceyville, Danville and Coal Field R. R. Co. Referred.

Mr. Troy introduced a bill to incorporate the Fayetteville Independent Bucket Co. Referred.

Mr. Whiteside introduced a bill to regu-

late per diem and mileage, giving \$5 to pre-siding efficers and clerks; to members \$3; to engrossing and eurolling clerks and door-keepers \$4; mileage 10 cents. Referred. Mr. McClammy introduced a bill to amend sec. 16, title 4, chap. 1, code of civil proce-Mr. Love introduced a bill to repeal cer-tain acts in relation to Western Turnpike

Mr. Allen introduced a bill to repeal an act authorizing the commissioners of Jones county to levy a special tax. Referred. Mr. Currie called for the reconsideration of the vote of yesterday on the bill regulating per diem and mileage.

Mr. Whiteside hoped it would not be considered. He was in favor of a much lower rate than any mentioned in that bill.

road. Referred.

Mr. Love didn't come here to eat out the bowels of his constituents, nor on the other hand to eat dirt. If these men who have said so much for Runcombe didn't take the highest price given, you might take his hat.
Mr. Merrimon thought the pay worth
more now than last year because gold has

Mr. Robbins wanted the Soute

Mr. Robbins wanted the Senate to compare the course of the Senator from Jackson on this particular with his course on the pay of everybody else.

Mr. Worth though expenses in general no higher than twenty years ago—when men did not get such high pay. And he did not think the average of this body worth any more than then of twenty years ago.

Mr. Speed had been told in the canvass by a negro, Massa, we don't intend to let you go there, but if you do go there, we think you are worth seven dollars anyhow.

If however, these economical gentlemen want to do something handsome, he pledged him-self not to touch one dime of public money during the session. (applause by Senators, accompanied with the rap of the gavel.)

Other Senators having spoken, Mr. Graham wanted to save money by stopping talk and therefore moved the previous question, and the vote therefore stood ayes nays 16.

The previous question being called for on the bill the call was sustained, ayes 25, nays 16; and the bill passed its second reading, aves 22, nays 18.

The Senate refused to suspend the rule in order to put the bill upon its passage.

Mr. Jones introduced a bill to incorporate the Hebrew Benevolent Society of Charlotte.

Referred.

The President named as the Senate Branch of the committee on constitutional Reform, Messra Cook, Latham, Moore, Linney, and Hyman.

Mr. Murphy introduced a bill in relation to divorce. Referred.

A resolution asking for National and for N. C. public schools was made the special order for Tuesday.

House resolution instructing committee

to report means for the support of the Asylum for the Deaf Dumb and Blind, was adopted. Mr. Price received leave of absence from Saturday till Tuesday.

Resolution in regard to the rental of the

Resolution in regard to the rental of the Executive mansion was taken up, a substitute offered, and the matter tabled.

The bill for the repeal of the act for the better securing of life or property was taken up and passed its second reading.

The bill being on its third reading, Mr. Moore and Mr. Olds spoke in opposition to it. Mr. Moore urged that if this bill was repealed then there is no legislation to instruct the Governor with reference to an important constitutional provision, or to important constitutional provision, or to provide means for its fulfillment,

important constitutional provision, or to provide means for its fulfillment.

Mr. Olds argued that if the State take no means to suppress these outrages, the mational government must do it; and he would suggest whether this is not a step toward what we have been taught to regard as a dangerous consolidation.

The bill then passed, ayes Mesers Adams, Albright, Allen, Battle, Cook, Council, Cowles, Crowell, Currie, Dargan, Fleming, Gilmer, Graham, Jones, Latham, Ledbetter, Linney, Love, Manney, McClammy, McCotter, Merrimon, Murphy, Norment, Robbins of Davidson, Speed, Troy, Waddell, Warren, Whiteside, Worth, 31, nays, Messrs. Beasley, Eppes, Hyman, Lassiter, Lehman, Moore, Olds, 7.

The Senate adopted a resolution authoriz-

The Senate adopted a resolution authoriz-ing the General Assembly to take a recess from the 22d of Dec. to the 11th of Jan.

A resolution asking for a national system of education was postponed till Tues A resolution in regard to a house of cor-A resolution in regard to a house of correction for juvenite offenders did not pass. A resolution authorizing a loan of \$180.000 from the North Carolina railroad passed its second reading, ayes \$7, mays 10.

At the request of Mr. Troy the rules were suspended to take up a bill to restore to the Western Hailroad Company its original charter.

Mr. Graham proposed to amend by providing that no claim of the State shall be surrendered until the bonds shall be returned into the treasury. Adopted.

Mr. Robbins, of Rowan, moved that the